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Re the Application of: **SHIMIZU, Motohiro et al.**

Group Art Unit: 2834

Serial No.: 09/998,169

Examiner: **Pedro J. CUEVAS**

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For: **ENGINE SPEED CONTROLLED GENERATOR SET HAVING AN INVERTER**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 28, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **December 10, 2002**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A generator set having a converter composed of semiconductor rectifying devices for rectifying the power output of a magnetic generator and an inverter for converting a direct current output of the converter into an alternating current form of a particular frequency, comprising:

a semiconductor rectifying device driving means for controlling the conduction of the semiconductor rectifying devices to maintain the voltage output of the converter at a target

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